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SUBJECT: *Current Soviet Activities, with particular reference to the Far East.*
TERMS OF REFERENCE: S.E. "THE SCOPE AND NATURE OF
SOVIET MILITARY PREPARATIONS IN THE FAR EAST"

THE PROBLEM

To *examine* ~~determine~~ the scope and nature of Soviet *and satellite activities* ~~military preparations in the~~
~~Far East~~ during the past *three* ~~six~~ months and to estimate the *probable purposes* ~~significance~~ of such
activities, with particular reference to the Far East.
~~preparations~~

QUESTIONS BEARING ON THE PROBLEM

I. *What Soviet military activities* ~~What Soviet military preparations~~ *in the Far East* HAVE TAKEN PLACE ~~IN THE FAR EAST~~ DURING
THE LAST *three* ~~six~~ MONTHS AND WHERE HAVE THESE BEEN MOST PROMOUNCED?

A. Ground

1. Changes in training (Ground, sea, and air)
2. Changes in equipment (Ground, sea, and air)
3. Changes in morale (Ground, sea, and air)
4. Changes in leadership (Ground, sea, and air)
5. Changes in logistical support (Ground, sea, and air)
6. Changes in deployment (Ground, sea, and air)

B. *Changes in organization strength, organization and/or composition*
Sea *8. New facilities*

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C. Air

1. Changes in training (Ground, sea, and air)

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2. Changes in equipment (Ground, sea, and air)
3. Changes in morale (Ground, sea, and air)
4. Changes in leadership (Ground, sea, and air)
5. Changes in logistical support (Ground, sea, and air)
6. Changes in deployment (Ground, sea, and air)

B. Political & Economic

~~II. WHAT DECREASES INCREASE (OR DECREASE) IN SOVIET MILITARY ACTIVITIES AND STRENGTH IN THE FAR EAST IS ESTIMATED TO HAVE OCCURRED OVER THE PAST SIX MONTHS?~~
Organization & Composition

- ~~A. Present ground activity and strength and percentage of change in both~~
- ~~B. Present sea activity and strength and percentage of change in both~~
- ~~C. Present air activity and strength and percentage of change in both~~

~~III. TO WHAT EXTENT HAVE CHANGES AFFECTED SOVIET/CHINESE CAPABILITIES, AGAINST:~~
These and Chinese Communist
A. Offensively
A. United Nations Forces in Korea

B. United States Forces in Japan, Ryuku Islands, Alaska, and the continental U. S.

B. Taiwan & Sub China SE Asia

~~IV. TO WHAT EXTENT HAVE CHANGES AFFECTED SOVIET DEFENSIVE CAPABILITIES?~~

Comparable Soviet and/or Satellite Military Political or Economic
~~III. HAVE THERE BEEN ANY CHANGES IN SOVIET MILITARY CAPABILITIES OR POTENTIAL DEVELOPMENTS ELSEWHERE~~
Activities in Europe or the Middle East which might indicate Soviet intentions, particularly in the Far East?

~~IV. ARE THE CHANGED SOVIET MILITARY CAPABILITIES IN THE FAR EAST RELATED TO THE JAPANESE PEACE TREATY, JAPANESE REARMAMENT, OR THE PENDING COUNCIL OF FOREIGN MINISTERS, OR OTHER AREAS OF SOVIET INTEREST?~~

probable purposes of these developments.
~~IV. WHAT IS THE SIGNIFICANCE IN TERMS OF SOVIET INTENTIONS OF THEIR CHANGED MILITARY CAPABILITIES?~~
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